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SUBJ: SOCIALIST DELEGATION IN ANGOLA

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1. SOCIALISTS IN ANGOLA: THE SOCIALIST PARTY (PS) DELEGATION
OF PS PRESIDENT ANTONIO MACEDO AND STATE SECRETARY FOR EMPLOYMENT
TITO DE MORAIS ARRIVED AUG 29 IN LUANDA (REFTEL). THEY WERE
REPORTEDLY RECEIVED WARMLY AT THE AIRPORT BY SECRETARY OF MPLA
POLITICAL COMMITTEE LUCIO LARA, SECRETARY OF THE PRESIDENCY
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FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS PAULO JORGE, DIRECTOR OF MPLA

FOREIGN RELATIONS DEPARTMENT, RUI MATEUS AND HERMINIO ESCORCIO AND AMBASSADOR PASCOAL LUBUALO OF THE MPLA CENTRAL COMMITTEE. RUI MATEUS, DIRECTOR OF THE PS INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DIVISION WILL JOIN MACEDO AND MORAIS IN LUANDA.

2. MACEDO ON EXPECTATIONS: IN LISBON BEFORE DEPARTURE, ANTONIO MACEDO SAID THE DELEGATION'S GOAL WAS RELATIONS AT THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL, BUT HE WAS PREPARED TO PROGRESS BY SMALL STEPS -- "PERHAPS A CONSULATE GENERAL, COMMERCIAL RELATIONS, OR REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EXPORT INSTITUTE."

3. COMMENT: THE SOCIALISTS ARE HOPEFUL ABOUT THE ANGOLAN SITUATION. PS ASSEMBLY LEADER SALGADO ZENHA TOLD AMBASSADOR AUG 24 THAT THEY BELIEVE IT POSSIBLE THAT PRO-WEST ELEMENTS IN THE MPLA LEADERSHIP COULD STILL COME OUT ON TOP. SOARES NOTED IN A RECENT INTERVIEW THAT RELATIONS WITH ANGOLA AND MOZAMBIQUE CANNOT BE LEFT SOLELY IN THE HANDS OF THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY IF THEY ARE TO IMPROVE.
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